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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of

Ryota KATO

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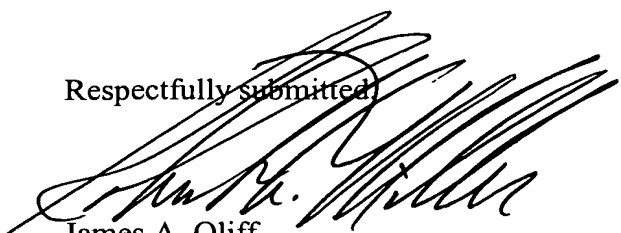
Sir:

Further to the Request for Reconsideration filed February 23, 2006, attached hereto are translations of JP 2000-12970 filed January 21, 2000 and JP 2000-246674 filed August 16, 2000. The two Japanese references are the priority documents for the instant application. The translations are accurate translations and are submitted to perfect Applicant's claim for priority and to overcome the rejection of claims 5-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) being anticipated by Yoshida, U.S. Patent No. 6,476,955 as discussed in the February 23, 2006 filed Request for Reconsideration.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 5-7, in addition to previously allowed claims 8-14, are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment:

Translation of JP 2000-12970  
Translation of JP 2000-246674

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